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PRICES FAIR AT T WHARF.

But Little Demand for Hake and Pollock.

T wharf has four off-shore and six shore trips this morning and prices are pretty good all around on haddock and cod, with not much call for hake and pollock, and the fare of sch. Catherine and Ellen with quite a lot of the former kind will go to Gloucester to the splitters.

Of the off-shore vessels, sch. Frances P. Mesquita has the largest trip, 93,000 pounds, 75,000 of which are cod. The steam trawler Spray has a small fare of haddock and 10,000 soles. Sch. Winnifred also has a small fare. The market boat fares are small, ranging from 1000 to 11,000 pounds.

Off-shore haddock brought \$1.25 to \$1.75 and large cod \$2.65 to \$2.75 with market cod at \$2 to \$2.10. Shore haddock touched \$3.50, shore large cod \$4.50 and shore market cod \$3. Hake went at \$1 and \$2 and pollock at \$1.25. The receipts in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Valentinnia, 1000 haddock, 1500 cod.
Sch. Maxwell, 1100 haddock.
Sch. Gertrude, 7000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake, 1000 pollock.
Sch. Winnifred, 30,000 haddock, 12,000 cod.
Steamer Spray, 32,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 10,000 sole.
Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, 18,000 haddock, 75,000 cod.
Sch. Rita A. Viator, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 500 hake.
Sch. Georgianna, 2000 cod.
Sch. Marion, 2000 cod.
Sch. Catherine and Ellen, 30,000 hake.
Off-shore haddock, \$1.25 to \$1.75 per cwt.; off-shore large cod, \$2.65 to \$2.75; off-shore market cod, \$2 to \$2.10; shore haddock, \$3.25 to \$3.50; shore large cod, \$4.50; shore market cod, \$3; hake, \$1 to \$2; pollock, \$1.25.

GOOD CATCHES OF BLUEFISH.

Sch. Faustina Lands 26,400 and Sch. Edith M. Prior Has 30,000 Fish.

The first reports from the bluefishing fleet were received in New York yesterday, when word came from Norfolk that the schooner Faustina, owned by Chesebro Bros., and commanded by Capt. Fred Anderson, had arrived at Norfolk with 26,400 fish on board.

The Faustina with her sister schooner Edith M. Prior, sailed from Fulton market slip one week ago, being the only two vessels so far this year to go in search of the bluefish.

Capt. Anderson telephoned his company that the fish weigh from 1 1-2 to 2 pounds each, and were caught off Cape Hatteras, on what is known as the Frank Cabot spot, which is a small bank not larger than the Boston public garden. The fish come in abundance on this shoal, but will not take the hook outside the bank.

Capt. Anderson reports the Prior as being on the way to New York with 30,000 fish, which means an ample supply for lovers of this fish at moderate prices, and a stock of about \$10,000 for the trip.

Both the schooners were formerly of this port.

Portland Fish Notes.

Monday was one of the roughest days of the year, both inside and outside the harbor. The small boat fishermen got out early and managed to fish some before the wind breezed up, but as soon as the gale started they, as well as some of their larger fellows, were forced to return to port.

Sch. Lillian, Capt. Norwood, arrived here Monday on the way from North Haven to Gloucester. She brought 250 barrels of salt clam bait from the east and took on 150 barrels more from S. A. Skillings & Son.

The fishing steamer Bessie M. Dugan of Boston, formerly owned here, was in port Monday. She has lately had a new house built on her and otherwise put in thorough repair.

Monday's arrivals: schs. Elizabeth W. Nunan, with 12,000 lbs. fish; Mary A. Osier, 3000; sloops Hazel B, 5000; Bennie, 1500, and sch. Thomas J. Carroll.

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Alewives at Edgartown.

A special to the Times states that 5000 alewives were taken at Edgartown Monday. The fish were of fine quality and extra large.

Foreign Fish Market.

The representative of a leading export house says:

"With a fair demand for fish stuffs, our own market, as well as most of the West India markets, is firm, and absorbing average quantities at full prices. Unfortunately, as much cannot be said for Porto Rico, which continues to be bedeviled and humbugged by the underhanded methods of so-called consignment houses. While they apparently report an active demand and an advancing tendency to prospective shippers, actually everything they can do to depress values and smash the market there, they are and have been doing. Quotations and promises are the old bait; neither more nor less than the glittering prospects of the big prize that every lottery, policy shop and gambler holds out to their victims. Of course, it is 'legitimate' for the 'gambler.' He takes no risk nor losses. To argue at this time, and with modern facilities for communication and transportation, in favor of a consignment business, with its erratic, violent and dishonest fluctuations, is as reasonable as to prefer a stage coach to an express, and as profitable to the shipper as the proverbial 'birds in the bush.' Otherwise, the consignment business is perfectly legitimate and satisfactory to all concerned."—New York Fishing Gazette.

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Landed Pollock at Newburyport.

The fishing boat, Alice, Capt. G. W. Short, arrived at Newburyport Saturday afternoon with 7000 pounds of pollock, which had been caught near Boone island, inside of 24 hours. It was the first lucky strike that the local boat had experienced for some time and the skipper and crew received many congratulations. The catch was disposed of at the Consumers' Fish Company wharf.

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Portland Fish Notes.

Herring have struck in all along the Maine coast according to reports brought in by the captains of coasters and fishermen. There have been big schools seen at the mouth of the Waldoboro river, in Penobscot bay and at other points. The law permitting them to be caught for the market will not go off until April 15, but they may be caught for bait in the meanwhile.

The little sloop Sea Foam while fishing off Cape Elizabeth Tuesday lost her rudder, which dropped off in the choppy sea which was running at the time, leaving the craft unmanageable. Fortunately the fish commission steamer Gannet came along just in the nick of time and brought the disabled boat into port.

Sch. Lochinvar brought in 16,000 lbs. of fresh fish and sch. Elva L. Spurling had 15,000 lbs. Tuesday, the latter proceeding to Gloucester. Schs. Olive F. Hutchins and Sadie M. Nunan were also in port Tuesday.

New Fish Concerns Incorporated.

The Cummings Fish Co., 3 Long Wharf, Boston, to do general fresh and salt trade. Walter Cummings is general manager.

The Maritime Fish Corporation Ltd., with a capital stock of \$1,000,000, has been incorporated in Canada with its chief place of business in Montreal. The incorporators are Joseph G. De Lorimer, Eugene H. Godin, George W. Dow, William B. Converse, Alfred H. Brittain and A. E. de Lorimer, all of Montreal. The company will carry on a general fishing business, including catching, curing, drying, smoking, preserving, canning, packing, importing, exporting, buying, selling and otherwise dealing in fish, lobsters and fish products of all descriptions at wholesale and retail.

The Dartmouth Steam Fishing and Curing Co., of Halifax, N. S., has a capital of \$30,000. One of its objects is to carry on a steam fishing and trawling business, etc.

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Phenomenal Shad Fishing.

The shad fishing at Buck Roe, Va., was phenomenal last week. One firm got 1800 Tuesday, and 20,000 were caught. It was estimated the catch for the week would be 50,000 to 60,000 shad. The largest on record for this fishery. Let us hope the mackerel will follow suit.

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Large Swordfish.

A swordfish weighing 527 pounds was caught near Tampico, Mexico, recently by G. K. G. Billings. It was 14 feet 2 inches in length and is the largest fish ever caught in that vicinity.

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T WHARF PRICES GOOD FOR SEASON

Twelve Fishing Craft at Boston This Morning.

T wharf prices this morning are good all around for this season of the year. Off shore haddock are bringing \$1.75 and shore haddock going as high as \$4. Of the fleet in, two are from off shore and 14 from shore. Five of them were in yesterday afternoon, so there are 11 in this morning's market.

Sch. Benjamin F. Phillips, yesterday afternoon had 88,000 pounds of fresh fish, 70,000 pounds of which are cod. This morning sch. Squanto has 70,000 pounds of fresh fish, 50,000 pounds of which are cod.

Steamer Bryda F. and sch. Mary Emerson, which arrived yesterday afternoon, had small pollock trips.

The Provincetown crafts Mary C. Santos and Matchless, struck good fishing this time out, having 27,000 and 36,000 pounds respectively.

Of the boats, sch. Edith Silveira had 14,000 pounds, the largest fare, the other trips ranging down to 1200 weight.

The receipts in detail are as follows:

Boston Arrivals.

Steamer Bryda F., 6000 pollock.
Sch. Laura Enos, 800 cod.
Sch. Benj. F. Phillips, 18,000 haddock, 70,000 cod.
Sch. Mary C. Santos, 13,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 4000 pollock.
Sch. Squanto, 20,000 haddock, 50,000 cod.
Sch. Edith Silveira, 13,000 haddock, 500 cod, 500 pollock.
Sch. Julietta, 1600 haddock, 200 cod.
Sch. Nettie, 500 haddock, 700 cod.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, 1700 haddock, 700 cod, 1100 pollock.
Sch. Pontias, 7000 haddock, 3000 cod, 1500 hake.
Sch. Mabel Bryson, 1000 haddock, 4000 cod.
Sch. Manomet, 6000 haddock, 1500 cod, 500 cusk, 500 pollock.
Sch. Alice, 13,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 3000 pollock.
Sch. Matchless, 20,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 2000 hake, 4000 pollock.
Sch. Mary Emerson, 2000 cod.
Sch. Little Fanny, 10,000 pollock.
Off-shore haddock, \$1.75 per cwt.; off-shore large cod, \$2; off-shore market cod, \$1.75; shore haddock, \$2.25 to \$4; shore large cod, \$3 to \$4; shore market cod, \$2.50 to \$3; hake, \$2 to \$3; pollock, \$1.20.

Fish Frozen in Ice.

That live fish may be frozen in a block of ice, kept for months or shipped around the country and then be thawed out alive is the result of experiments carried on by Frank Smith, superintendent of the government fish hatchery at Coos Bay. Mr. Smith has shipped salmon fry frozen in ice to Seattle, and when thawed out, the young fish were as lively as when they were sent.

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Sch. Grayling Spoken.

Capt. Hans Nelson of sch. Harvard, reports speaking sch. Grayling on Brown's bank on Saturday with 45,000 pounds of salt cod on board.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Tattler and Annie M. Parker were at Shelburne, N. S., on Monday and cleared.

Bait at Edgartown.

Osborne wires from Edgartown that there are plenty of shad there for bait, selling at \$1 per hundred.

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WILL CHANGE QUARTERS.

Gloucester Mackerel Co. Will Occupy Former King Wharves.

The Gloucester Mackerel Co. will move from its present location on Commercial street, the wharf to the westward of the Cunningham & Thompson wharves, and will locate on the wharf recently occupied by William A. King. The wharf vacated by the mackerel company will be used by the Cunningham & Thompson Co.

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SPLITTERS TAKE POLLOCK CATCH.

Georges Handliner and Two Steam Netters Bring Fish.

Four of the pollock seining fleet are at this port this morning with fares ranging from 12,000 to 25,000 pounds each. Most of these fish will go to the splitters, as there is little market demand. There is still a good sized fleet engaged in seining pollock and the most of them will hang to it for quite a while yet.

Sch. Marsala, which arrived from Georges yesterday noon from a deck handline trip, had 25,000 pounds of salt cod and 3000 pounds of halibut. During the afternoon the steam netters Nomad and Quoddy came in with small fares, but the former had all haddock, 4000 pounds for her catch.

During the night, sch. Frances P. Mesquita came down from Boston with 35,000 pounds of fresh cod for the splitters and sch. Lillian arrived from Jonesport, Me., with 400 barrels of salted clams to be used by the dory handliners for bait.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Marsala, Georges, 25,000 lbs. salt cod, 3000 lbs. halibut.
Steamer Nomad, shore, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Steamer Quoddy, shore, 6500 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Lillian, Jonesport, Me., 400 bbls. salted clams.
Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, via Boston, 35,000 lbs. fresh cod.
Steamer Bessie M. Dugan, shore, 25,000 lbs. pollock.
Steamer Elthea, shore, 18,000 lbs. pollock.
Steamer Bessie A., shore, 15,000 lbs. pollock.
Steamer Jeffery, shore, 12,000 lbs. pollock.
Sch. Nokomis, shore.
Sch. Mary E. Sinnett, shore.
Sch. Lillian, La Have Bank, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish, 400 lbs. halibut.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Marjie Turner, halibuting.
Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, haddock-ing.
Sch. Nomad, shore.
Steamer Quoddy, shore.
Sch. Agnes, halibuting.
Sch. Elmer E. Gray, south seining.

Today's Fish Market.

Bank halibut, 12c per lb. for white and 9½c per lb. for gray.
Georges halibut, 12 cts. per lb. for white and 10 cts. for gray.
Large halibut cod, \$3 per cwt.; medium cod, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.
Trawl salt Georges cod, large, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.
Large salt handline Georges cod, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.00.
Trawl bank cod, large, \$3 per cwt.; medium, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.
Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.
Salt pollock, \$1.25 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1.25; salt hake, \$1.25.
Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large \$2 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.60; medium cod, \$1.40; cusk, \$1.60 for large, \$1.20 for medium and 50c for snappers; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 90 cts.; pollock, round, 65 cts.; dressed, 70 cts.

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Lunenburg, N. S., Fish Notes.

Sch. Colonia is fitting out for the banks.
Sch. Annie L. Spindler, sailed Monday for the banks.
Sch. Burnett C., Herman, with cargo of fish for Zwicker & Co., limited sailed Monday for Ponce, Porto Rico.
The trim new schooner Mayola, made the run from here to Halifax last Thursday in four hours.
Sch. Vivian B. Walters, baited Sunday night and will sail for the banks Monday.
The Blanford schooner M. Unity was reported with 5,000 lbs. of fresh fish.
Sch. Jubilee, landed 2,000 pounds of fresh fish Monday morning.
Sch. Gladys B. Smith is fitting out for the banks.
Shore fishermen report fish plentiful and are making good catches.

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CREW SHARED \$105.

Sch. Frances P. Mesquita \$3625 in Less Than a Month.

Sch. Frances P. Mesquita has done finely on her two off shore fresh cod and haddock trips to Georges. On the two trips the craft was gone somewhat less than a month, stocking \$1665 on the first and \$2020 on the second trip, the crew sharing \$105 clear on the two. The craft was out in command of Capt. Manuel P. Alves, the regular steward of the craft, and he certainly made a splendid showing. He took command for Capt. Joseph P. Mesquita, the regular skipper and part owner, who stayed ashore on account of the serious illness of his wife. Capt. Mesquita will now resume command and will sail today.

NEW VESSELS.

Tonnage of New Crafts Added to Fishing Fleet.

The new sch. Gladys and Nellie of Boston measures 107 tons gross, 64 tons net.

The new sch. Josephine DeCosta of Provincetown measures 114 tons gross, 84 tons net.

The new sch. Harriet of this port measures 95 tons gross, 58 tons net.

The new sch. Rhodora of this port measures 116 tons gross, 81 tons net.

Nova Scotia Fishermen's Unions.

The bill introduced by M. H. Nickerson in the Nova Scotia house of assembly to provide for the organization of fishermen's unions, contains the following:—

Any number of members of a station of the Fishermen's Union, not less than 10, may by subscribing their names and addresses to memorandum of association in the form of "A" in the schedule to this act, and otherwise comply with the requirements of this act in respect to registration, may obtain a certificate from the registrar of joint stock companies incorporating them and such other members of the union as may become members of the corporation under the name of Fishermen's Union No. — Co-operative association, limited.

The objects of the said association shall be:—

(a) Buying, selling, bartering, taking on consignment, dealing in and packing fish, including lobsters and fish products of all kinds;

(b) Buying and acquiring fishing gear of all kinds for the use of members or for sale to said members;

(c) Acquiring and holding real estate and buying of chartering vessels for use in carrying out the objects of the association.

Pollock Returned to Maine Coast.

Pollock have returned to the Maine coast. That was the goods news announced by Capt. G. W. Greenleaf of the United States fishing steamer Gannet when he made Portland Wednesday afternoon. Up to 10 days ago the netters were doing well in landing the dark-backed fish, but all of a sudden the pollock disappeared and no sign of them could be seen along the Maine coast. Fishermen cruised up and down and in and out of bays and yet they could find no fish.

* Wednesday as the Gannet was coming by Mark island, Capt. Greenleaf saw two big schools of pollock right in shore. The fish all appeared to be large ones and they were heading for shoaler water. Not two hours before these were seen, a netter had passed the section, but had reported no signs of them. Whether the pollock are schooling all along the Maine coast as they were at Mark island cannot be told, but the fact that two good-sized schools have been sighted is regarded as a good indication that they have returned after a 10 days' absence.

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Portland Fish Notes.

Wednesday's arrivals: Steamer Carrie and Mildred, with 5000 lbs. fish; sch. Bernie and Bessie, with 5000 lbs. fish; sch. Mary A. Osier, 2000; sloops Hazel B., 4000; Defender, 4000.

The fishing steamer Pet, which has been on the marine railway this week, is now at Central wharf making further repairs, retubing boilers and otherwise being put in first-class shape for the summer fishing business.

Another good sized trip of salt clam bait arrived here Wednesday on the sch. Triton, Capt. Hathaway. He has 250 barrels which will be taken to Gloucester. In addition to this, the schooner has smoked herring on board and she brought a big deck load of empty oil barrels which were discharged at Portland.

Nearly 50,000 pounds of fish were landed at this port Tuesday and of the total amount 38,000 pounds was pollock. Sch. Marion Turner brought in 27,000 pounds while the little sloop, Alice G. came in with 11,000 pounds.

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The only schooner to come into port with mixed fish was sch. Angie B. Watson and her crew landed 10,000 pounds of cod, haddock and hake.

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NETTERS BRING FRESH FISH.

Sch. Grayling Has Fine Codfish Trip From Brown's Bank.

Fish arrivals here continue light. Yesterday afternoon, sch. Squanto came down from Boston with 40,000 pounds of fresh fish for the splitters. The steamer Nomad had 3000 pounds of haddock and steamer Quoddy had 7000 pounds of haddock, the result of their daily steam netting trips.

Sch. Little Fanny brought in 12,000 pounds of pollock and steamer Bryda F. had 12,000 pounds also. The pollock are large, going in the neighborhood of 10 pounds, but the pollock seiners did not do much with them yesterday. Beside these two trips, sch. Dauntless got a haul and came in and anchored on the Pancake ground, but did not land, and is out on the ground again this morning. Sch. Jennie H. Gilbert also got a small haul.

Yesterday afternoon, sch. Grayling, Capt. Axel Laager, came in from Brown's Bank with a splendid handline cod trip, 55,000 pounds of salt cod, 8000 pounds of fresh cod and 1500 pounds of halibut. This craft fished in company with sch. Harvard, which brought in a big fare a few days ago, and as she was reported doing well on big fishing, her arrival with the splendid catch was rather expected. The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

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Steamer Bryda F., shore, 12,000 lbs. pollock.
Steamer Nomad, shore, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Steamer Quoddy, shore, 7000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Helen B. Thomas, shore.
Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore.
Sch. George H. Lube, shore.
Sch. Edith Silveira, shore.
Sch. Massasoit, shore.
Sch. Blanche F. Irving, shore.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, shore.
Sch. Valentina, shore.
Steamer Nomad, shore.
Steamer Quoddy, shore.
Sch. Conqueror, haddocking.
Steamer Bryda F., pollocking.
Sch. Jennie H. Gilbert, pollocking.
Steamer Bessie M. Dugan, pollocking.
Sch. Little Fanny, pollocking.
Sch. Ingomar, haddocking.
Sch. Alice R. Lawson, dory handlining.
Sch. Tacoma, halibuting.

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Trawl bank cod, large, \$3 per cwt.; medium, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.
Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.
Salt pollock, \$1.25 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1.25; salt hake, \$1.25.
Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large \$2 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.60; medium cod, \$1.40; cusk, \$1.60 for large, \$1.20 for medium and 50c for snappers; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 90 cts.; pollock, round, 65 cts.; dressed, 70 cts.

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Halibut at Portland.

Sch. Yakima, Capt. Robert Wharton, of this port, is at Portland today with 20,000 pounds of halibut. Capt. Wharton has made a very quick trip as the craft has been gone from here but 14 days.